

More About the Boer War.

"Captain Joe stopped leak in ferry-boat."

"All the forces on the left and centre began to come back; few ran, but back they came, steadily and surely. The officers, what few there were left, ran here and there, endeavoring to rally them by platoons and companies. A piper—one of the Argyries, I think—was to tune up his pipes, but his lips were too dry, and a major placed his own water skin to his lips. As he drank the scroll began, 'Hey Johnnie Cope, are ye waken' yet?'—somebody said that was the tune. The men gathered round him as he stood there playing.

the same type, wiry and tireless had noticed him riding with the inadequate staff on one or two occasions, but no one could tell me who he was or what was his position. The marshal had opened a map and was bending over it. The mysterious gentleman and he were having consultation. I asked an aide who a stranger was.

'Oh,' said he, 'that's an old story. He's our friends. No; he occupies special position. He's The Guest.'

Later I got most of the tale. It seems that the little grey colour seen over thirty-five years of

angry, and to forgive. There are moral problems mixed up in the story, but they come in by the way, are subordinated to, or rather identified with, the human interest. It is at very least an interesting study of the life of an English peasant life. (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons.)

and some of its shapes are fantastic but all are graceful. Those who spend their summers in the city will find that it adds much to pleasure of a sojourn in a rural neighborhood to have some hobby. It is a mistake to suppose that botany is a difficult study. It is not, with all the assistance afforded by modern works on the subject; this is all in all the best popular work the subject of ferns which has come to us in recent years. (New York: Frederick & Co., Chicago.)

JEWISH ENCYCLOPEDIA: A Descriptive record of the History, Religion, Literature, and Customs of the Jewish People from the Richest Times to the Present Day. Prepared by more than four hundred scholars and specialists. Issued by Singer, Projector and Manning Editors. New York: Funk & Wagnalls Co. \$7.00.

N KNIGHTLEY AND OTHER STORIES. By A. E. W. Mason. New York: Frederick Stokes & Co.

THE BOOK OF TRIBUNE VERSE: A Number of Hitherto Uncollected Poems, Grave and Gay, by Eugene Field. Collected and edited by Joseph G. Brown. Denver, Col.: Tandy, 1900. \$1.00.

CURRENT VERSION

to think that the fish flesh was set,
 to think that the fish bones were
 once found lips anointed with love's balm
 pressed kisses there that live in memory yet,
 the knotted hands with soft and reverent
 gently closed tired lips o'er sightless eyes,
 clasped in prayer before the throne of
 Grace
 the hallowed entrance for a soul in Paradise.
 hands! Brave hands! I proudly honor you!
 lefty deeds in lowly spirit done.
 and unbeautiful to careless view
 that victories of peace those hands have won!

NOTES AND QUERIES

release of Government loans by placing them behind other loans, composition of government claims, assumption by Government of liabilities, direct construction by Government, and including land and money grants in the total. The best one-year period ended June 30, 1931, the statistics obtainable, there have been added in systematized subsidies \$20,300,312; exceptional subsidies, \$48,225,592, and \$34,000 has been transferred to the public debt. Loans have aggregated \$748,636, the amount authorized being \$815,000. The loans have realized from land grants \$1,162,017, one road making no returns of